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COUNTRY Germany (East Zone) REPORT

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TOPIC Twin-jet aircraft seen at the Cottbus airfield

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DATE OF CONTENT

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DATE PREPARED 18 May 1951

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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On 24 April 1951, at 3:15 p.m., three twin-jet aircraft were seen approaching over Kolkwitz (N 52/A 47) at an altitude of about 700 to 800 meters. The weather was good. The aircraft came from the direction of the Cottbus airfield. After climbing to an altitude of about 3,000 to 4,000 meters, they headed toward Finsterwalde. The following is a description of the aircraft: power plants suspended under wings, leading edges of wings were straight, trailing edges of wings were straight, trailing edges slanting forward, squared-off wing tips, considerably high rudder assemblies, elevator assemblies fitted above the fuselages, front section of fuselages about as long as the tail section, front portion of gunner's cockpit apparently made of plexiglass.

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the three aircraft landed at the Cottbus airfield and remained for about two hours. \*

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\* Comment. According to the description, the aircraft are of the same type as the twin-jet planes previously observed at the Oranienburg airfield. the same aircraft type at the Finsterwalde airfield. It is believed that the aircraft observed belong to the unit stationed in Finsterwalde.

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